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Vichy Fate in Balance



Otto Abetz (above) Hitler's Paris representative, has been dispatched to Vichy, seat of the French Government, to confer with Marshal Philippe Petain on the appointment of Foreign Minister of M. Pierre-Etienne Flandin. M. Laval, the former Foreign Minister, was reported in many quarters as far too willing to agree to all of Hitler's demands.

LOCALS

Mr. James W. Halton has been appointed a Commissioner for Oaths, it is announced in the latest issue of the Alberta Gazette.

Mrs. F. Purvis received word on Thursday of the death of her brother in Youngstown. Mr. and Mrs. Purvis left for that district today.

Classes at school are badly disrupted by an outbreak of measles among the pupils. The majority of cases are of a mild type.

Miss Violet Currie returned to school in Calgary on Monday. Ruth did not return owing to suffering from an attack of measles—she is improving steadily.

Honoring Gene Jones prior to his departure for training in the R.C.M.P., Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Jones entertained a number of young people last Thursday evening.

The wheat delivery quota for the Crossfield and Airdrie districts has been raised to 15 bushels per seeded acre, it was announced by the Canadian Wheat Board on Tuesday.

The Board of Trade are holding their next dance on Friday, January 24th, instead of the 31st as had been planned, when music will be supplied by Ken Moore.

After a week of weather registering around zero, and sometimes below, a welcome chinook arrived Wednesday evening. Today, Thursday, is like a spring day—no doubt there is plenty of winter ahead.

It was announced yesterday that C. I. Syers, 41-year-old farmer of Meeting Creek, Alberta, has been chosen by the Social Credit party to contest the Camrose by-election on Feb. 6th.

The nineteen independent members of the Alberta legislature are meeting in Edmonton on Saturday next to organize for the coming session which is expected to open on February 20th, and to elect a House leader.

The annual meeting of the United Church will be held in the church parlor, on Friday evening January 17th, when the reports of the various organizations of the church will be given, followed by a social hour.

Ladies' Aid of U. C. Hold Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the United Church W. A. was held in the church parlors on Wednesday afternoon. After the regular business was dispensed with, the election of officers took place.

The following ladies were installed into office by the Minister, Rev. H. V. Ellison:

President Mrs. E. Fox; vice President Mrs. G. Onel; second vice president Mrs. P. Fleming; secretary Mrs. E. W. Hoover; treasurer Mrs. B. Lilley.

At the close of the meeting lunch was served by Mrs. Ellison and, in the absence of Mrs. Fleming, Mrs. Belsaw assisted.

LOCALS

Mr. and Mrs. J. Jolliffe of Medicine Hat were here to attend the funeral of the latter's mother, Mrs. E. Buterman, on Wednesday.

Proceeds from the recent Red Cross canvas amounted to \$312. This sum was collected entirely by canvas whereas last year's figure, which totalled some \$300 more, was augmented by the proceeds of dances, teas and other entertainments.

Word was received today, Thursday, of the death of Mrs. Marston, Senior, which took place in Calgary. It will be remembered that the Marstons homesteaded west of town. Funeral services will be held in the United Church here on Sunday at 2:30. Rev. W. Hollingsworth of Calgary, officiating, assisted by Rev. H. V. Ellison. Interment will be in Crossfield cemetery.

ALBERTA OIL FIELDS RANK HIGH.

Due to Alberta's Turner Valley, Canada now ranks second as an oil producer in the British Empire and 13th in the world. It was stated recently in a survey of oil and gas production. Canada's yield—which outside of Alberta is very small—was exceeded in the Empire only by Trinidad and the West Indies during 1940.

Madden Murmurs

Mr. Harold Baxter is visiting at the home of his parents, at Forest Lawn.

Misses Eugene and Lila Havens spent the New Year holiday at the parent home.

Miss Isabel and Kate Leask were home for the Christmas holidays. Miss Irene Leask of Calgary spent New Year's at the home of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Leask.

Mr. and Mrs. Angus Walsh spent the weekend prior to New Year's at the home of the former's parents in Calgary.

Mr. Boyd Miller is back in the Madden district.

Edwin Rach is leaving for training camp at Red Deer very soon.

Miss Lieta Stafford spent the holiday season at home and is continuing school in Crossfield.

Miss Ellen Rach spent the holidays with her mother, Mrs. E. Rach.

Miss Ane Askow spent New Year's day in the Madden district. Dorothy Ingham spent the new Year holiday at home.

STEWART — BRANDON

The home of Mr. and Mrs. William Brandon, southwest of Crossfield, was the scene of a pretty ceremony on Monday evening January 6th, when their daughter, Mildred Elizabeth, and Mr. Merrill Vincent Stewart, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Stewart of Airdrie, were united in marriage. Rev. H. V. Ellison performed the ceremony in the presence of a group of relatives and friends.

Miss Lila Brandon, sister of the bride, acted as bridesmaid and Albert Douglas Clayton of Airdrie was best man.

After the ceremony a dainty supper was served. Rev. H. V. Ellison proposed a toast to the bride, which was graciously responded to by the groom.

The happy couple left for a short honeymoon at Banff and on their return will reside in Airdrie.

Mrs. E. Buterman Dies

Mrs. Gerrit Diana Buterman, wife of Egbert Buterman, died at her farm home on Sunday, January 5th, at the age of 67. She was born in Weirden Overijssel in the Netherlands.

Coming to Canada 25 years ago, with her husband and family, they lived in Medicine Hat for ten years before taking a farm south of Crossfield where they have lived since.

Besides her sorrowing husband, she is survived by seven sons, Otto and Albert of Kimberley, B. C.; John of Birnies, Alta., Esther of Carbon, Gerrit with the Engineers overseas, Harry in Calgary and Tony of Crossfield; and three daughters, Mrs. J. Jolliffe of Medicine Hat, Mrs. F. Adams of Crossfield and Johanna of Calgary.

Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. H. V. Ellison in the United Church at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon when a large number of neighbors and friends gathered to pay their last respects. Pallbearers were James Thompson, D. J. Hall, Sam Kelly, J. Aldred, J. Verkuil and G. V. Huipkes. Interment was in the Crossfield cemetery.

Gravely III



Joseph Sirois
Who presided over the Rowell-Sirois Commission on Dominion-Provincial relations and who not long ago was appointed president of the Alberta fire Underwriters Insurance Commission was reportedly gravely ill at his home in Quebec. He is 59.

Recommend Adoption Rowell-Sirois Report.

LAST Saturday the Northern Alberta Bond Holders' Protective Committee submitted to Premier Aberhart a resolution urging the provincial government to give "sympathetic consideration" to the Rowell-Sirois recommendations to solve provincial debt problems. The resolution claimed payment of reduced interest on provincial bonds has caused severe "hardship" on many bond and saving certificate holders "of small means whose life savings" are invested in Alberta securities.

Implementation of the Rowell-Sirois recommendations would result in payment of full interest "subject to refunding," assure the payment of savings certificates and restore to Alberta the credit necessary for solution of the housing problem, the building of much-needed schools and, in general, to the whole future development of the province, the resolution claimed

HOCKEY

The High School hockey team journeyed to Didsbury Tuesday evening for an exhibition game, going down to defeat in a 6-3 score.

They will play their first league game in Innisfail on Friday night.

The first home game in the league series will be played next Tuesday evening against Carstairs. Come out and support the local boys.

MISS VIOLA KINSEY CARNIVAL QUEEN

Though the extreme cold on Saturday night interfered with attendance a very good crowd was on hand to enjoy the first ice carnival of the year, under the auspices of the Senior Group C.G.I.T. Following races for boys and girls of various ages which were entered into with enthusiasm, dancing and skating were engaged in. The most popular spot of the evening was the refreshment booth where the steaming coffee and hot dogs proved very inviting.

Miss Viola Kinsey was the successful candidate in the vote for queen and was duly crowned the Queen of the Carnival.

The Italians Saw the Point



Modern "observers" and "experts" scoffed at bayonet training for this war, but the rout of the crack Italian armies in Albania is largely due to the fact that the troops are unable to face Greek bayonet charges. The Italian soldiers, who had been trained in the use of the rifle, were at a disadvantage, and when the Greeks fell back in disorder when the long sword bayonets of the Greeks flashed before them. Above is a typical Greek soldier with his long bayonet ready for action.

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Thursday January 9th 1941.

THE SIROIS REPORT

The Sirois report commission, set up in August 1937, on Dominion-Provincial Relations have compiled a wealth of knowledge in their two-year investigation of affairs in the nine provinces.

Abridgment of the commission's recommendations are for the Dominion government to take over the entire debt of each province, with optional courses for future provincial borrowing.

Assume the entire liability of the dead weight (that is, the non-interest bearing) debt, and administer the balance, subject to the annual payment of the province of a sum equal to the annual interest received by the province.

Accept complete responsibility of the relief and care of unemployed, leaving poor relief in the proper sense of that term, to the provinces (including the municipalities), thus relieving the budgets of both provinces and municipalities of heavy annual charges.

Replace the present subsidies to the provinces by National adjustment grants (irreducible, but capable of enlargement following inquiry) to enable a provincial government to balance its budget, after maintaining its social services at an average standard.

Provide provision for emergency grants if made necessary by abnormal conditions—taking care of adverse harvest conditions in Western Canada.

The provinces would withdraw from certain fields of taxation, designated by the commission as National.

A big percent of those who have made a thorough study of the report are of the opinion that it should be accepted and put into operation.

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Shoes made from it are now being shown in the latest shades, Congo brown, powder blue, Varsity green, desert tan, Californian beige and new vintage. The favorite style is a whole cut semi-sport shoe with pastel shade piping, and fittings and a sole of crepe.

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THE END OF HENRY BANKS Warning To Motorists

(By William Philip Rowley)

Just gather 'round, my friends, and hear the tale of Henry Banks; He loved to beat the trains at grades and other silly pranks, He'd skitter on the slippery roads, or pass cars on the hills; When he came tearing down the street, pedestrians made their wills. He drove his car so recklessly with easy nonchalance; In everything he'd flirt with Death, and take an awful chance. At crossings he would beat the trains and give a jeering toot; For tembers of the engineers, he never gave a hoot.

But Death caught up with him one day, and it was just his fate The train that he had meant to beat was fifteen minutes late, And it was making up lost time, and thundered down the track, With twenty cars behind it and the thick smoke pouring black. Said Henry then: "To beat this train 'twill be no hard attempt". For common sense and safety, he had nothing but contempt. So down he drove his shining car at eighty miles per hour; His auto surely had the speed—the train, though, had the power. And there upon the tracks they met; poor Henry had no chance; He flitted once too oft with Death, and Fortune turned her glance. With screeching brakes the train slowed down upon the trackway far With part of Henry on the stack, and part within his car.

And how to put him back again, to all was quite a sticker; He tried to save a minute here—to hell he got the quicker, And so from off the roadway clear, a reckless fool was driven; He made no use of common sense that had to him been given. So if you think to break the laws, take heed, don't be a duncie! You can beat the train a hundred times—it need bear you ONLY ONCE!

The Standard Parachute

Parachutes have played a big part in the present war. Not to speak of what they have done for so-called "parachute troops", we may think of the hundreds of aviators who have been saved by them. With a plane burning, or in some other way made unfit for flying, the pilot and anyone else aboard may leap out and reach the ground safely.

Parachutes differ in size, so we cannot give figures which will fit all of them. Recently a standard British parachute was described as having "65 square yards of finest silk" and measuring 24 feet across. The cost was given as about \$200. for each parachute.

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The Canadian Government has appointed Mr. Charles A. Banks to represent them in all matters of munitions and supply in Great Britain. Mr. Banks is a native of Canada and has resided in London since 1914. He was formerly a director of many large Empire companies, and had mining interests. The photo shows Mr. Banks at his desk in his office at Canada House in London.

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MOULDS IN FOOD

Mould growth in foods is not usually dangerous. In many cases the formation of mould in foods increases its palatability. For example some kinds of cheese, such as Limburger, Roquefort, Brie and Camembert, are eaten only after extensive mould growth has taken place. The characteristic flavour and smell of these cheeses are due to the substances formed by the particular species of mould.

What are moulds? They are groups of tiny plants so small that the individual structures can be seen only with the aid of a microscope. They develop from spores which are similar to the seeds of the higher plants. The spore is the reproductive element of one of the

lower organisms or plants.

The commoner moulds go by the names of Mucor, Penicillium or Aspergillus. The white or slightly woolly patches seen on the surface of meat in cold storage is due to a mould or fungus known as the aspergillus carnis.

The spores or seeds of moulds are hard to kill; they can withstand unfavorable conditions for days and when given favorable conditions such as food, a temperature neither too hot nor too cold, moisture and in some cases oxygen, will live for a long time.

Mould on top of jams, jellies and preserves is unsightly, but not harmful and the same is true of moulds on bread and other foods. Mould growth may be prevented by

Ulster Helmsman



John Miller Andrews

The 69-year old Deputy Prime Minister of Northern Ireland, John Miller Andrews, died last night. Viscount Craigavon, who died unexpectedly. He becomes the second Minister since the Ulster Government was formed in 1921.

maintaining foods at medium temperatures, and by keeping them free from moisture. Homemade sausage may be kept from moulding by dipping the sausage in melted fat. When cool, the fat forms an impervious coating and resists growth of mould.

HOW THE SOLDIER'S SALUTE ORIGINATED

At tournaments in older days, knights used to march past Royalty. When passing by the Queen they would put a hand up to their face in pretence of hiding their eyes from her dazzling beauty. From that to the modern salute was a simple stage.

The office boy entered the editor's office and said: "There's a tramp outside who says he hasn't had any thing to eat for six days."

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521.....	12:42 a.m.
523.....	10:07 a.m.
525.....	5:53 p.m.

SUNDAY

521.....	12:42 a.m.
527.....	6:01 p.m.

Bus Schedule

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7:51 a.m.	2:21 p.m.	6:21 p.m.
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The British Navy Wednesday and Thursday directed a terrific blow at (1) Valona, in the Strait of Otranto, just inside the entrance to the Adriatic. Hundreds of high explosive shells were hurled into the port without any opposition from the enemy. While part of the British fleet was engaged in other battleships swept the strait between (1) Bari and (2) Durazzo.

An Italian communiqué acknowledges R. A. E. bombardment of the Adriatic port of Brindisi.

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DANCE TO KEN MOORE CROSSFIELD EAST COMMUNITY HALL JANUARY 10th A GOOD Time Is Assured!

National News

A writer who arrived recently at New York from France said German soldiers in Paris have been denied mail from home because some committed suicide when letters informed them that relatives had been killed in British bombing raids.

Premier John Metaxas of Greece in a message sent to Nicola Tserpis, Greek consul general in Canada, expressed his thanks to the Canadians for their contributions to the Greek War Relief Fund.

A newspaper in Vichy, France, said the population of Orleans, in German occupied France, had been fined 1,000,000 francs after a German army telephone wire was cut.

In a move perhaps intended to bolster Italian morale, it was announced that crown princess Marie Josè of Italy has joined the Fascist party 'at her own request'. It was announced her membership would be considered as dated 1935.

Mrs Amy Johnson Mollison, the famed British aviatrix, was drowned in the Thames estuary on Sunday before rescue ships could reach her, after being forced to bail out of the aircraft she was flying for the Air Transport Auxiliary.

Lord Baden-Powell, aged 83, founder of the Boy Scout movement, died at his home in Nyeri, Kenya Colony, Africa, on Wednesday, January 8. He will be buried Thursday afternoon with full military honors.

Independents Approve Rowell-Sirois Report.

At a recent convention of the Independent M.L.A.'s held in Edmonton, a resolution was forwarded to prime Minister King. A letter accompanied it expressing the resolution explaining to the Prime Minister "that Premier Aberhart's opposition to the Rowell-Sirois report does not represent the view of most Albertans, as the last provincial election showed that more votes were cast for opposition candidates."

Many Alberta organizations are in favor of the Rowell-Sirois recommendations. They believe that if this report is accepted and put into operation it will be of the greatest benefit to the province.

There was to be a christening party at the home of a farmer. "Excuse me," said the minister, taking his hat aside before the ceremony, "but are you prepared for the solemn event?"

"Oh, yes, indeed," said the farmer. "I've got two hams, pickles, cakes—"

"No, no! I mean spiritually prepared."

"Well, I think so; two gallons of whiskey, a case of gin, and three cases of beer."

Church Announcements

CROSSFIELD AND DISTRICT UNITED CHURCH

Minister Rev. H. V. Ellison.

Church Services, January 10th, 1941.
Rodney — at 11:00 a.m.
Taw-y-Bryn — at 3:00 p.m.

New Year's Communion service.

Crossfield —

Sunday School 11:00 a.m.
Church Service — 7:30 p.m.

Illustrated Service.

Subject: "Christ or Buddha."

Everybody is cordially invited to these services.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION (Anglican)

Rev. A. D. Currie, Rector

Services for January:

12th — Evensong 7:30 p.m.

19th — Matins 11:00 a.m.

Feb. 2nd, Holy Communion, 11:00 a.m.

Special Notice of any other services.

A.Y.P.A. meets First and Third Thursdays at 8:00 p.m.

Bible Class meets every Sunday at 9:15 a.m. and Sunday School at 10:00 a.m.

REGULAR BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor: Rev. D. G. Milligan.

Morning Service 11:00 a.m.

Sunday School 12 noon

Evening Service, 7:45 p.m.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND CLAIMANTS

In the Estate of CHRISTIAN ASMUSSEN late of the Village of Crossfield in the Province of Alberta, farmer, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims upon the Estate of the above named Christian Asmussen, who died on the 4th day of November, A.D. 1940, are required to file with E. C. Collier, 328a 8th Avenue West, Calgary, Alberta, by the 28th day of February, A.D. 1941, the full statement duly verified on oath, of their claim and any security held by them, and that after that date the Executor will distribute the assets of the Estate among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice has been so filed or which have been brought to her knowledge.

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